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(This bulletin supplements the information previously issued to the news media)

The data contained in this bulletin are revised yearly.

TABLE 1
EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT IN MARCH 1987

NOTE: These labor force data are supplied by the U.S. Department of Labor.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (Amounts in thousands)	MARCH 1987	FEBRUARY 1987	JANUARY 1987	MARCH 1986
^{a/}				
Total civilian labor force	13,655	13,626	13,403	13,295
Total civilian employment	12,833	12,779	12,568	12,384
Total unemployment	822	847	835	911
Seasonally adjusted rate (%)	6.0	6.2	6.2	6.9
^{b/}				
Range	5.4-6.6	5.5-6.9	5.5-6.9	6.2-7.6
U.S. seasonally adjusted rate	6.6	6.7	6.7	7.2
UNADJUSTED (Amounts in thousands)				
^{a/}				
Total civilian labor force	13,624	13,563	13,382	13,257
Total civilian employment	12,764	12,654	12,464	12,309
Total unemployment	860	909	917	948
Unadjusted rate (%)	6.3	6.7	6.9	7.1
^{b/}				
Range	5.7-6.9	6.0-7.4	6.2-7.6	6.4-7.8

^{a/} Total labor force by place of residence, including workers involved in trade disputes. Employment includes self-employed, unpaid family and domestic workers.^{b/} Range as shown is at the 90% level of confidence.

HIGHLIGHTS California's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for March was 6.0 percent, down from 6.2 percent in February 1987. A year ago, in March 1986, the rate was 6.9 percent. During March in California, seasonally adjusted employment increased by 54,000 over the month while unemployment decreased by 25,000. The national civilian seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for March 1987 was 6.6 percent, down from the 6.7 percent rate of the past three months.

Total nonagricultural wage and salary employment, not seasonally adjusted, increased by 79,700 from 11,417,500 in February 1987 to 11,497,200 in March 1987. The largest gains in employment were in the services and trade sectors as employment increased by 28,000 and 18,300, respectively. Mining was the only major sector which lost jobs in March, experiencing a 17.2 percent employment decline over the year. Because of the continuing dry weather, employment in the construction industry has increased more than seasonally expected. Since March 1986, total wage and salary employment has increased by 365,300 -- a gain of 3.3 percent over the year. Average weekly earnings in manufacturing were \$424.80 during February 1987.

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TABLE 2
EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF THE WORKING-AGE
POPULATION IN CALIFORNIA*
(Numbers in Thousands)
Data Are Not Seasonally Adjusted

EMPLOYMENT STATUS	MARCH 1987	FEBRUARY 1987	JANUARY 1987	MARCH 1986
Total				
Labor Force.....	13,624	13,563	13,382	13,257
Employed.....	12,764	12,654	12,484	12,309
Unemployed.....	860	909	917	948
Unemployment Rate.....	6.3	6.7	6.9	7.1
Male, Age 20 and Over				
Labor Force.....	7,214	7,192	7,110	7,107
Employed.....	6,787	6,748	6,648	6,667
Unemployed.....	427	444	462	440
Unemployment Rate.....	5.9	6.2	6.5	6.2
Female, Age 20 and Over				
Labor Force.....	5,627	5,594	5,528	5,377
Employed.....	5,339	5,286	5,194	5,013
Unemployed.....	288	308	334	363
Unemployment Rate.....	5.1	5.5	6.0	6.8
Both Sexes, Age 15-19				
Labor Force.....	784	776	743	773
Employed.....	639	620	622	629
Unemployed.....	145	156	121	144
Unemployment Rate.....	18.5	20.1	16.3	18.6
White				
Labor Force.....	11,528	11,494	11,389	11,337
Employed.....	10,835	10,765	10,608	10,558
Unemployed.....	693	729	781	780
Unemployment Rate.....	6.0	6.3	6.9	6.9
Nonwhite				
Labor Force.....	2,096	2,069	1,993	1,920
Employed.....	1,929	1,889	1,856	1,751
Unemployed.....	167	180	136	167
Unemployment Rate.....	8.0	8.7	6.8	8.7

*Data supplied by the U.S. Department of Labor from their current population survey. No comparable data are available for areas within California.

TABLE 3
EARNINGS AND HOURS* OF PRODUCTION AND RELATED WORKERS
IN MANUFACTURING IN CALIFORNIA

Area	Average weekly earnings		Average hours per week		Average hourly earnings	
	FEB 1987	JAN 1987	FEB 1986	FEB 1987	FEB 1986	FEB 1987
California	\$424.80	\$425.20	\$410.00	40.0	40.0	\$10.62

*Average hours and earnings are based upon data for full-time and part-time production and related workers in manufacturing industries. Average gross weekly and hourly earnings include overtime pay and premium wages for late-shift work. Attention is directed to the fact that these are not wage rates, but are averages of gross earnings. Data are preliminary and subject to change.

TABLE 4
MONTHLY WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT ANALYSIS FOR MARCH (PRELIMINARY)
EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS OF JOBS
--DATA NOT ADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY--

INDUSTRY TITLE	CURRENT MONTH	PREVIOUS MONTH	YEAR AGO	NUMERICAL CHANGE		PERCENT CHANGE	
	MAR87	FEB87	MAR86	MONTH/MONTH	YEAR/YEAR	MONTH/MONTH	YEAR/YEAR
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	11497.2	11417.5	11131.9	79.7	365.0	0.7	3.3
MINING	58.5	39.0	46.5	-0.5	-8.0	-1.3	-17.2
METAL MINING	2.1	2.1	1.8	0.0	0.3	0.0	16.7
FUEL MINING	30.0	30.5	38.2	-0.5	-8.2	-1.6	-21.5
NONMETAL MINING	6.4	6.4	6.5	0.0	-0.1	0.0	-1.5
CONSTRUCTION	529.0	522.9	484.1	6.1	44.9	1.2	9.3
GENERAL BUILDING CONTRACTORS	140.8	138.8	129.9	2.0	10.9	1.4	8.4
HEAVY CONSTRUCTION	66.1	65.0	58.3	1.1	7.8	1.7	13.4
SPECIAL TRADE CONTRACTORS	322.1	319.1	295.9	3.0	26.2	0.9	8.9
MANUFACTURING	2064.1	2053.7	2045.1	10.4	19.0	0.5	0.9
NONDURABLE GOODS	652.0	644.4	636.1	7.6	15.9	1.2	2.5
FOOD & KINDRED PRODUCTS	164.6	161.9	158.5	2.7	6.1	1.7	3.8
CANNED, CURED, FROZEN SEAFOODS	4.9	4.8	5.2	0.1	-0.3	2.1	-5.8
PRESERVED FRUITS & VEGETABLES	45.0	43.7	41.1	1.3	3.9	3.0	9.5
OTHER FOOD & KINDRED PRODUCTS	114.7	113.4	112.2	1.3	2.5	1.1	2.2
TEXTILE MILL PRODUCTS	15.3	15.3	14.7	0.0	0.6	0.0	4.1
APPAREL & OTHER TEXTILE PRODS	120.2	117.5	115.5	2.7	4.7	2.3	4.1
PAPER & ALLIED PRODUCTS	39.8	39.5	39.5	0.3	0.3	0.8	0.8
PRINTING & PUBLISHING	145.4	144.5	142.8	0.9	2.6	0.6	1.8
CHEMICALS & ALLIED PRODUCTS	64.8	64.5	63.1	0.3	1.7	0.5	2.7
PETROLEUM & COAL PRODUCTS	26.0	26.1	28.0	-0.1	-2.0	-0.4	-7.1
RUBBER & MISC PLASTIC PRODUCTS	68.6	67.8	66.8	0.8	1.8	1.2	2.7
LEATHER AND LEATHER PRODUCTS	7.3	7.3	7.2	0.0	0.1	0.0	1.4
DURABLE GOODS	1412.1	1409.3	1409.0	2.8	3.1	0.2	0.2
LUMBER & WOOD PROD EXC FURNITURE	59.3	58.6	53.3	0.7	6.0	1.2	11.3
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	59.0	58.4	58.0	0.6	1.0	1.0	1.7
STONE, CLAY & GLASS PRODUCTS	52.4	52.0	50.9	0.4	1.5	0.8	2.9
PRIMARY METAL INDUSTRIES	41.8	41.6	40.9	0.2	0.9	0.5	2.2
FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS	137.7	137.0	137.8	0.7	-0.1	0.5	-0.1
MACHINERY EXC ELECTRICAL	208.8	209.2	213.9	-0.4	-5.1	-0.2	-2.4
ELECTRICAL EQUIP & SUPPLIES	395.5	395.2	400.3	0.3	-4.8	0.1	-1.2
TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT	312.2	312.2	306.2	0.0	6.0	0.0	2.0
MOTOR VEHICLES & EQUIPMENT	34.5	33.8	34.5	0.7	0.0	2.1	0.0
AIRCRAFT AND PARTS	174.4	174.8	165.1	-0.4	9.3	-0.2	5.6
SHIP & BOAT BLDG & REPAIRING	13.9	14.0	16.7	-0.1	-2.8	-0.7	-16.8
GUIDED MISS, SPACE VEHICLES PTS	79.3	79.4	79.2	-0.1	0.1	-0.1	0.1
OTHER TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT	10.1	10.2	10.7	-0.1	-0.6	-1.0	-5.6
INSTRUMENTS & RELATED PRODUCTS	112.1	111.9	113.6	0.2	-1.5	0.2	-1.3
MISC MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES	33.3	33.2	34.1	0.1	-0.8	0.3	-2.3
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	580.5	577.4	565.8	3.1	14.7	0.5	2.6
TRANSPORTATION	334.8	332.6	322.5	2.2	12.3	0.7	3.8
RAILROADS	21.4	21.7	22.5	-0.3	-1.1	-1.4	-4.9
TRUCKING AND WAREHOUSING	140.0	138.6	131.1	1.4	8.9	1.0	6.8
OTHER TRANSPORTATION	173.4	172.3	168.9	1.1	4.5	0.6	2.7
COMMUNICATIONS	162.1	161.3	161.5	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.4
ELECTRIC, GAS & SANITARY SERVICES	83.6	83.5	81.8	0.1	1.8	0.1	2.2
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	2760.4	2742.1	2650.4	18.3	110.0	0.7	4.2
WHOLESALE TRADE	707.7	702.3	684.0	5.4	23.7	0.8	3.5
RETAIL TRADE	2052.7	2039.8	1966.4	12.9	86.3	0.6	4.4
GENERAL MERCHANDISE STORES	239.7	243.1	233.7	-3.4	6.0	-1.4	2.6
FOOD STORES	287.4	285.8	278.1	1.6	9.3	0.6	3.3
OTHER RETAIL TRADE	1525.6	1510.9	1454.6	14.7	71.0	1.0	4.9
FINANCE INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	782.6	778.2	751.7	4.4	30.9	0.6	4.1
FINANCE	372.1	370.6	361.3	1.5	10.8	0.4	3.0
INSURANCE AGTS CARRIERS BRKRS	213.6	212.7	205.4	0.9	8.2	0.4	4.0
REAL ESTATE	177.4	175.4	165.9	2.0	11.5	1.1	6.9
COMB HOLDING & OTHER INVEST CO	19.5	19.5	19.1	0.0	0.4	0.0	2.1
SERVICES	2847.2	2819.2	2731.3	28.0	115.9	1.0	4.2
HOTELS AND OTHER LODGING PLACES	159.5	157.9	147.3	1.6	12.2	1.0	8.3
PERSONAL SERVICES	123.0	121.9	120.2	1.1	2.8	0.9	2.3
BUSINESS SERVICES	708.2	702.2	669.3	6.0	38.9	0.9	5.8
AUTO AND MISC REPAIR SERVICES	168.2	166.0	161.2	2.2	7.0	1.3	4.3
MOTION PICTURES	83.2	78.6	84.6	4.6	-1.4	5.9	-1.7
AMUSEMENT & RECREATION SERVICES	118.9	116.1	111.8	2.8	7.1	2.4	6.4
HEALTH SERVICES	689.5	686.4	662.3	3.1	27.2	0.5	4.1
OTHER SERVICES	796.7	790.1	774.6	6.6	22.1	0.8	2.9
GOVERNMENT	1894.9	1885.0	1857.0	9.9	37.9	0.5	2.0
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	343.2	342.9	346.0	0.3	-2.8	0.1	-0.8
STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT	1551.7	1542.1	1511.0	9.6	40.7	0.6	2.7
COUNTY	239.6	238.3	234.5	1.3	5.1	0.5	2.2
CITY	202.6	201.9	198.7	0.7	3.9	0.3	2.0
EDUCATION	830.0	823.5	807.0	6.5	23.0	0.8	2.9
EDUCATION STATE	161.0	159.4	156.7	1.6	4.3	1.0	2.7
EDUCATION LOCAL	669.0	664.1	650.3	4.9	18.7	0.7	2.9
OTHER STATE & LOCAL	279.5	278.4	270.8	1.1	8.7	0.4	3.2
STATE EXC ED	184.5	183.9	178.8	0.6	5.7	0.3	3.2
SPECIAL DISTRICT	95.0	94.5	92.0	0.5	3.0	0.5	3.3
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	255.0	243.2	265.1	11.8	-10.1	4.9	-3.8

SOURCE: EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
EMPLOYMENT DATA AND RESEARCH DIVISION

TABLE 5
MONTHLY LABOR FORCE DATA FOR COUNTIES
FEBRUARY 1987

COUNTY	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	
			NUMBER	PERCENT*
STATE TOTAL	13563000	12654400	908600	6.7
ALAMEDA	648800	613100	35700	5.5
ALPINE	875	850	25	3.4
AMADOR	9425	8650	775	8.2
BUTTE	68425	61050	7375	10.8
CALAVERAS	9400	8275	1125	12.0
COLUSA	6675	5425	1250	18.6
CONTRA COSTA	386100	364800	21300	5.5
DEL NORTE	6900	5850	1050	15.1
EL DORADO	55600	52100	3500	6.3
FRESNO	290300	249900	40400	13.9
GLENN	10025	8575	1450	14.4
HUMBOLDT	49100	44100	5000	10.1
IMPERIAL	41150	32800	8350	20.3
INYO	8850	8225	625	7.2
KERN	223800	194800	29000	13.0
KINGS	31850	27575	4275	13.4
LAKE	16325	14050	2275	14.0
LASSEN	9450	8300	1150	12.1
LOS ANGELES	4152000	3875000	277000	6.7
MADERA	32150	28050	4100	12.7
MARIN	124100	119700	4400	3.5
MARIPOSA	6250	5675	575	9.1
MENDOCINO	33150	29250	3900	11.8
MERCED	70850	60200	10650	15.0
MODOC	3950	3475	475	11.9
MONO	5550	5225	325	5.7
MONTEREY	152000	131700	20300	13.3
NAPA	53600	50600	3000	5.5
NEVADA	28125	26075	2050	7.3
ORANGE	1300400	1254600	45800	3.5
PLACER	69100	64900	4200	6.1
PLUMAS	8275	6725	1550	18.7
RIVERSIDE	378700	353900	24800	6.5
SACRAMENTO	462400	433600	28800	6.2
SAN BENITO	15175	12425	2750	18.1
SAN BERNARDINO	500300	473600	26700	5.3
SAN DIEGO	1035700	986600	49100	4.7
SAN FRANCISCO	398200	378600	19600	4.9
SAN JOAQUIN	183100	159600	23500	12.8
SAN LUIS OBISPO	90350	85500	4850	5.4
SAN MATEO	346000	333700	12300	3.6
SANTA BARBARA	179200	169200	10000	5.6
SANTA CLARA	806900	764000	42900	5.3
SANTA CRUZ	116600	105000	11600	9.9
SHASTA	53525	46650	6875	12.8
SIERRA	1450	1225	225	16.2
SISKIYOU	16925	14100	2825	16.7
SOLANO	128800	119200	9600	7.4
SONOMA	180200	169400	10800	6.0
STANISLAUS	148700	126000	22700	15.3
SUTTER	25750	21000	4750	18.4
TEHAMA	17275	15375	1900	11.1
TRINITY	4800	3875	925	19.5
TULARE	128750	111800	16950	13.2
TUOLUMNE	16850	15050	1800	10.7
VENTURA	330400	310100	20300	6.1
YOLO	67100	60600	6500	9.7
YUBA	17550	14750	2800	16.0

* NOTE: IMPERIAL COUNTY ESTIMATES ARE LOWER BEGINNING WITH THE JANUARY 1986 REPORT DUE TO A CHANGE IN METHOD OF ESTIMATING UNEMPLOYMENT. UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IS BASED ON UNROUNDED DATA. DATA NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED.